(a) whether Government have decided to provide Rs. 3500 crores to the States for enhancing irrigation potential during the next five years;

(b) if so, the State-wise breakup of the funds to be provided;

(c) the details of major and medium irrigation projects which are under construction in the country at present; and

(d) the details of the funds required for completion of these projects and funds earmarked and released during the current financial year to these projects, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) A Statement showing State-wise number of Major and medium irrigation projects under construction in the country at present, their latest estimated cost; spill over cost in the Ninth Plan, Plan outlay earmarked for major and medium projects in the year 1999-2000 and amount of Central Loan Assistance released to States under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) during 1999-2000 is annexed. [*See* Appendix 189, Annexure No. 121]

Allocation of Funds for irrigation schemes in Assam

4710. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated by Government for irrigation schemes and programmes for the States of NER particularly in Assam during the last three years and till date, year-wise/scheme-wise;

(b) the details of amount actually spent for the same by the State Government of Assam during this period;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the necessary steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (d)

Irrigation is a State subject and irrigation projects are planned, implemented and funded by the State Governments out of their own resources and as per their priorities. However, Central Government provide Central Loan Assistance (CLA) to eligible irrigation projects under Assistance (CLA) to eligible irrigation projects under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP). The details of CLA provided to such irrigation projects in North Eastern States during the last 3 years is given in Statement attached herewith.

Statement

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Project	Central Loan Assistance Released during the year		
		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
ASSAM				
1.	Pahumara	1.300	1.000	0.430
2.	Hawaipur lift	0.000	1.000	1.090
3.	Rupahi	0.000	0.400	0.000
4.	Dhansiri	5.000	4.000	5.000
5.	Champamati	1.000	1.800	1.750
6.	Borolia	1.350	1.600	1.500
7.	Boradikarai	1.000	1.350	0.750
8.	Buaridihing	0.500	0.800	0.750

Sl. No.	Project	Central Loan Assistance Released during the year		
		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
9.	Intd. Irrigation Scheme in Kollong	2.250	2.000	1.750
10.	Kollonga	0.000	0.000	0.000
MANIPUR				
1.	Khuga	6.000	4.500	9.250
2.	Thoubal	20.000	6.280	11.060
TRIPURA				
1.	Gumti	2.200	1.850	3.890
2.	Manu	2.000	1.175	2.890
3.	Khowai	0.900	0.950	2.930

Training in Hindi typing and stenography

†4711. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of typists and stenographers under his Ministry/ Department and subordinate offices who have not taken training in Hindi typing and stenography;

(b) the reasons for not giving them such training so far; and

(c) by when it is planned to give them such training?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) The number of typists and Stenographers of this Ministry and its subordinate/attached offices who are yet to be trained in Hindi typing and Stenography is as under:—

Hindi typing	Hindi Stenography
154	137

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.